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Contractors invited to participate in PACE Lighting Rebate Program

The city of Boulder's Partners for A Clean Environment (PACE) Program is hosting a free informational meeting for lighting and electrical contractors interested in learning more about the Commercial Lighting Rebate Program, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 26 at the Boulder Chamber of Commerce, 2440 Pearl Street. Attendees will learn how to receive rebates for the installation of energy efficient lighting in city of Boulder commercial properties. PACE staff will discuss the benefits of participating, including being listed on its website, and the process of working with PACE. An Xcel Energy program administrator will offer an overview of the demand-side management program, Custom Efficiency.

Rebates are funded solely by Xcel Energy through its Custom Efficiency program. No city of Boulder or Boulder County funds are included in the rebate. PACE has at least \$60,000 to be issued as rebates. \$500 is issued for every kilowatt saved through the program. Rebates can lower project costs for clients and make contractor bids more competitive. To qualify for a rebate, all projects must be completed by June 1, 2005.

Contractors planning to attend and other interested parties must respond by Friday, Jan. 21, to Carolyn Weinreich, Environmental Affairs, at (303) 441-4191 or weinreichc@ci.boulder.co.us.

City funding available for youth projects

Grants of \$3,000 - \$30,000 are available from the Youth Opportunities Program to support projects beginning in the 2005-2006 school year which serve city of Boulder resident middle and high school age youth.

Proposed projects must fall under one of three designated theme areas, may be for one or two years, and youth must be involved in their design. The theme areas are: integrating immigrant youth into the Boulder community; providing activities for middle school youth; and open (programs working with other city of Boulder youth).

Grant proposals are due March 1, 2005. Requests for Proposals can be found at www.yoab.org, or contact Alice Swett. Children, Youth and Family Services at (303) 441-4349, or swetta@ci.boulder.co.us.

Food affects your mood class

City of Boulder Senior Services is offering a class about what foods will keep you feeling relaxed and happy at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 29, at the East Senior Center, 5660 Sioux Drive. Laura Brieser-Smith, a registered dietician and faculty member at Johnson and Wales Culinary Institute, will speak on how what you eat influences your mood, stress level, energy level and mental function. The fee is \$7 for city residents and \$9 for non-residents. Call Senior Services at (303) 441-4150 to register.

Seniors can see "Gypsy" at the Country Dinner Playhouse

City of Boulder Senior Services is hosting a trip for seniors to see " Gypsy" from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Country Dinner Playhouse in Greenwood Village. Cost ranges from \$42 to \$48. To register, call Senior Services at (303) 441-4150 or (303) 441-3148.

Raptor monitor volunteers needed

The city of Boulder Parks and Recreation Department, Division of Environmental Resources is seeking volunteers for their Raptor Monitor Program at the Boulder Reservoir. Monitors should be skilled at bird identification, be able to work independently, and own binoculars.

Responsibilities include monitoring, observing, and documenting nests, wildlife closures, and surrounding areas for birds

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of prey, reporting significant events, and assisting with educating the public. Commitment would be one to four hours on a weekly basis, from mid-February through September. Training and orientation will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13.

Please call Joy Master, Parks and Recreation, at (303) 413-7261 for more information or visit the Parks and Recreation Web site at www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation.

Yoga assistants needed

Volunteers are needed to assist Boulder Parks and Recreation yoga instructors with yoga classes at the Recreation Centers. Individuals should have extensive training in yoga. Classes are free for volunteers. For more information or an application, call Yoga Coordinator LouAnn Harlow at (303) 413-7255.

Lifeguard classes scheduled

The city of Boulder Parks and Recreation Department is offering lifeguard classes for ages 15 and up. Choose from the following class sessions:

• Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the week of Feb. 7 and the week of Feb.16, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the South Boulder Recreation Center. 1360 Gillaspie:

• Two Saturdays, March 5 and March 12, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at the North Boulder Recreation Center, 3170 Broadway;

• Two Sundays, March 6 and March 13, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at the North Boulder Recreation Center, 3170 Broadway.

To register, go online to www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation/econnect For more information about this program, call (303) 441-3572.

or call (303) 413-7270.

Water safety instructor training

The city of Boulder Parks and Recreation Department is conducting Water Safety Instructor Training. Choose from the following sessions:

• Three Sundays, Feb. 20 - March 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; • Three Tuesdays, Feb. 20 - March 6, from 4 to 8 p.m.

Both sessions will be held at the South Boulder Recreation Center, 1360 Gillaspie.

To register, go online to www.ci.boulder.co.us/parks-recreation/econnect or call (303) 413-7270. For more information, call (303) 441-3572.

City of Boulder recruiting for Boards and Commissions

The Boulder City Council is currently accepting applications for City Boards and Commissions.

City Boards offer a unique opportunity to become involved in local government and the community. Service on all Boards is voluntary. Generally, applicants must be a city elector, 18 years of age, and reside within the Boulder city limits.

There are 18 boards that have vacancies. A list of current vacancies is available online at www.ci.boulder.co.us/cmo/boards/bcindex.html. Each board and commission has specific responsibilities, such as transportation, the library and the public access television station. Each board works with and advises particular city departments and City Council on related issues.

Applications can be picked up at the Council Office, 1777 Broadway, Municipal Building, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday or you can access an application on line at www.ci.boulder.co.us/cmo/boards/bcindex.html.

The deadline to apply is 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, (no late applications or postmarks will be accepted). Appointments will be made March 15. For more information, contact Keith Richardson, Boulder City Council Office, (303) 441-3090.

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